

EXPEDITED HANDLING AFTER FINAL

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Atty. Docket

Johan P. Linnartz

PHN 16,210

Serial No. 09/013,541

Examiner: Douglas J. Meislahn

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Art Unit: 2767

Title: Recording Information With A Watermark Related To A

Prerecorded Medium Mark On An Information Carrier

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 05/04/00, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (thrice amended) A system comprising:

a recorder, including: [for recording information on an information carrier having]

means for reading from a record carrier, a medium mark representing a first bitpattern [, the recorder including: generator]

means for generating a second bitpattern according to a predefined relationship to the first bitpattern; [and]

encoder means for embedding a watermark representing the second bitpattern in [the] user information to be recorded; and

means for writing the watermarked user information on the information carrier for storade:

the lystem further comprising:

a player including:

mean; for reproducing the recorded watermarked user

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